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SUBJECT: WEO GROUP CONSULTATIONS ON BUREAU AND
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OF FORCE (NUF)

1. AT SUGGESTION US DELEGATION, WEO GROUP MET AM OF 8/21
AT FRENCH MISSION TO CONSIDER BUREAU AND ORGANIZATION OF
WORK OF THE SPECIAL COMITE ON NON-USE OF FORCE (NUF).
FINLAND, TURKEY, FRANCE, SPAIN, UK, US, FRG, JAPAN,
BELGIUM AND ITALY ATTENDED. THE GROUP DECIDED TO PRESENT
THE CANDIDACY OF BELGIUM (ERIC DUCHENE) FOR RAPPORTEUR.

2. MOST GROUP MEMBERS WERE AWARE OF INDIAN (JAIPAL)
CANDIDACY FOR CHAIRMAN BUT NO ONE KNEW OF ANY OTHER
CANDIDATES FOR POST. GROUP RECOGNIZED THAT JAIPAL'S
POSITION ON NUF VERY CLOSE TO SOVIET'S AND THAT INDIANS
HAD SUPPORTED SOVIETS ON ITEM IN PAST GA'S. FRG ASKED
WHAT GROUP'S POSITION WOULD BE IF INDIAN CANDIDACY
PRESENTED AT OPENING MEETING IN PM, WHETHER INDIAN
CANDIDACY WAS DEFINITE AND WHETHER GROUP WOULD ACCEPT
IT OR WERE THERE OTHER ALTERNATIVES. UK (FIFOOT) FELT
CANDIDACY WOULD NOT BE PRESENTED IN PM, THAT VARIOUS
GROUPS WOULD CONSULT TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF OTHER
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CANDIDATES. HE FELT THERE WAS NO NEED TO MAKE IT EASY
FOR THE SOVIETS WHO HAD SOLICITED JAIPAL AS CHAIRMAN.

3. US (ROSENSTOCK) AGREED WITH UK ON QUESTION OF
CONSULTATION BUT NOTED CHOICES FOR CHAIRMAN WITHIN COMITE
MEMBERSHIP WERE NOT GREAT. HE SAID THAT WITH THE POSSIBLE
EXCEPTION OF MEXICO, WHO WAS REASONABLY REALISTIC ABOUT

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THE EXERCISE, THE LATINS HAD A TENDENCY TO BECOME OVERLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT WRITING INTERNATIONAL TREATIES. THE US FELT THAT FOLLOWING CONSULTATIONS A PACKAGE DEAL WITH BELGIUM AS RAPPORTEUR WAS MOST LIKELY POSITION WE WOULD FACE. GROUP AGREED IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR WEO GROUP TO HAVE RAPPORTEURSHIP PARTICULARLY SINCE COMITE SECRETARY WOULD BE A SOVIET (ROMANOV) AND THAT IF WE COULD AVOID JAIPAL AS CHAIRMAN SO MUCH THE BETTER.

4. ON ORGANIZATION OF WORK, GROUP FELT COMITE SHOULD BEGIN WITH A GENERAL DEBATE, AFTER WHICH COMITE WOULD DECIDE ON ITS WORK FORMAT. UK NOTED RECENT COMITE ON CONFERENCES RECOMMENDATION THAT ANY COMITES MEETING DURING FIRST TWO WEEKS OF SEPTEMBER CONSIDER SHORTENING THEIR SESSIONS IN ORDER TO OPEN UP CONFERENCE SPACE AND SERVICES FOR LOS CONFERENCE AND THE COMITE OF THE WHOLE. THE UK BELIEVED THIS RECOMMENDATION SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WHEN THE COMITE DEALT WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF ITS WORK. ITALY FELT IT WOULD BE UNWISE FOR WEO GROUP TO BRING UP MATTER. THE US REPRESENTATIVE SAID IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR WEO MEMBER TO RAISE IT THAN NOT RAISE IT AT ALL. CONSIDERING THE INTEREST OF MANY OF THE THIRD WORLD IN THE WORK OF THE COMITE OF THE WHOLE, HE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE ONE OF THEM RAISE MATTER.

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5. MEETING ENDED WITH FRANCE (WEO CHAIRMAN) AGREEING TO INFORM SECRETARIAT OF DUCHENE CANDIDACY.

6. IN CORRIDORS BEFORE COMITE BEGAN US AND UK DELOFFS PUT NAME OF CUEVAS CANCINO (MEXICO) IN THE AIR WITH SATISFYING RESULTS REPORTED SEPTEL. YOUNG

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